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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: Application of Katsumi TSUKAHARA
FAULT TOLERANT COMPUTER AND TRANSACTION
SYNCHRONIZATION CONTROL METHOD
Assignee: **NEC CORPORATION**
Our Ref. Q77144



Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising 26 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, 7 sheets of formal drawings, executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form, and executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement and PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) with reference.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

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| Total claims | <u>20</u> - 20 | = | <u> </u> | x | \$18.00 | = | <u>\$360.00</u> |
| Independent claims | <u>3</u> - 3 | = | <u> </u> | x | \$84.00 | = | <u>\$252.00</u> |
| Base Fee | | | | | | | <u>\$750.00</u> |

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| TOTAL FILING FEE | \$750.00 |
| Recordation of Assignment | \$40.00 |
| TOTAL FEE | <u>\$790.00</u> |

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$750.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.



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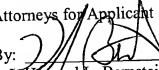
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The priority document is enclosed herewith.

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